

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The claims have not been amended and read as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A printing apparatus having at least one of a printing function and a scanning function, said printing apparatus comprising:

an execution unit, adapted to execute a print job or a scan job;

an output control unit, adapted to control a display unit to display data;

a storage unit, adapted to store client display data for causing a browser provided in a Web client to form an input column for a character message; and

a Web server that can be accessed by external apparatuses,

wherein said Web server comprises:

(a) a transmission unit, adapted to transmit to one of the external apparatuses that serves as a Web client the client display data stored in said storage unit for use in a client display screen in which a character message to be displayed is input; and

(b) a reception unit, adapted to receive message data based on a character message input by the Web client via the client display screen displayed on the basis of the client display data transmitted by said transmission unit,

wherein said output control unit causes the display unit to display a message formed based on the message data received by said reception unit, when said execution unit is in a standby state.

2 - 6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) A printing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the display unit has different display areas including a first display area and a second display area, and wherein said transmission unit transmits the client display data stored in said storage unit to the Web client for causing the browser provided in the Web client to form respective different input columns for character messages corresponding to the first and second display areas.

8 - 12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) A printing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said transmission unit transmits the client display data including the message formed based on the message data received by said reception unit, to another external apparatus that serves as another Web client, and

wherein the client display data transmitted to the another Web client is read by a browser provided in the another Web client.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Previously Presented) A control method for a printing apparatus

(1) comprising (a) a Web server that can be accessed by external apparatuses and (b) a display unit and (c) a storage unit, and (2) having at least one of a printing function and a scanning function, comprising:

executing a print job or a scan job;

controlling the display unit to display data;

(a) transmitting, from the Web server of the printing apparatus, to an external apparatus that serves as a Web client display data stored in the storage unit for causing a browser provided in the Web client to form an input column for a character message and for use in a client display screen in which a character message to be displayed is input;

(b) receiving, by the Web server of the printing apparatus, message data based on a character message input by the Web client via the client display screen displayed on the basis of the transmitted client display data,

wherein said controlling step includes causing the display unit to display a message formed based on the received message data, when said executing step is in a standby state.

16 - 20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) The control method for the printing apparatus according to claim 15, wherein said display unit has different display areas including a first display area and a second display area, and

wherein the client display data stored in said storage unit is transmitted to the Web client to cause the browser provided in the Web client to form respective different input columns for character messages corresponding to the first and second display areas.

22 - 26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously Presented) The control method for the printing apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the client display data including the message formed based on the message data received by said reception unit, is transmitted to another external apparatus that serves as another Web client, and

wherein the client display data transmitted to another Web client is read by a browser provided in the another Web client.

28 - 56. (Cancelled)